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Riverside County Supervisor Marion Ashley Joins SCAQMD Board

Riverside County Supervisor Marion Ashley was sworn in today as the newest member of the South Coast Air Quality Management District Governing Board.

Supervisor Ashley will represent the County of Riverside on the SCAQMD Board. Board members serve four-year terms, and Supervisor Ashley will finish the unexpired term of the late Riverside County Supervisor John Benoit, who passed away in December. That term ends Jan. 15, 2018.

Supervisor Ashley served on the SCAQMD Board from October 2009 to July 2010 when he was appointed by Riverside County Board of Supervisors to replace Supervisor Roy Wilson who left the board due to health reasons.

Ashley was elected to the Riverside County Board of Supervisors in 2002 to represent the county's Fifth District and has served twice as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. Before joining the county board, he served on the Riverside County Planning Commission from 1973 to 1981 until elected to the Eastern Municipal Water District in 1992.

Supervisor Ashley has also served as chairman of the Western Riverside Council of Governments and the Coachella Valley Association of Governments, and as the county representative to the Southern California Association of Governments.

He also serves as a board member for the Mojave Desert Air Quality Management District, current Chairman for the Western Riverside County Regional Conservation Authority, Alluvial Fan Taskforce, Salton Sea Authority, Riverside County Flood Control and Water Conservation District, and the Riverside County Habitat Conservation Agency.

Born in Riverside County, his priorities include working to improve the lives of the people he serves. He is an advocate for solar power, sound water policy, environmental quality and conservation, and his district is home to numerous large wind powered turbine projects.

Ashley's family donated hundreds of acres of natural land to create the "Motte Rimrock Reserve" in Perris, California, an important part of the University of California Natural Reserve System, which is used for wildlife research and preservation.

SCAQMD is the air pollution control agency for Orange County and major portions of Los Angeles, San Bernardino and Riverside counties.

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